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**How to
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Introduction to this Guide

This is a guide for resource users seeking information about the kinds of approvals needed for projects in the Yukon. This guide focuses on placer and quartz mining,

forestry and land use. If you want to harvest timber, construct a camp, build a road or begin mining on Crown land you will need to get the appropriate approvals from the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (DIAND). Depending on the nature of your project, you will require different approvals for all phases in the form of permits, licences, notifications and/or operating plans.

In this guide you will find:

- what basic approvals you will need to carry out your project;
- who you should contact while researching and applying for your project approvals;
- where to go to apply for your approvals; and
- approximate cost and time for all approvals.

You are responsible for getting all the proper approvals for your project.

This guide does not replace the acts or regulations of DIAND. It is highly recommended that you research your project fully and refer to the proper laws.

Your best source of information is talking directly with DIAND personnel about the specifics of your project. Useful contact numbers and a list of web sites are included at the back of this guide.

DIAND's *Permit Guide - For projects in the Yukon* (ISBN 0-662-27506-3) is an excellent reference list of approvals needed in the Yukon. It is available at any DIAND office.

The information in this guide is changing due to devolution of DIAND northern programs to the Government of Yukon. This guide offers a basic outline of what the current processes are under DIAND. Watch for announcements about key changes and keep in touch with DIAND for current information about devolution.

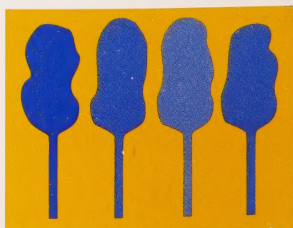


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Placer Overview

What approvals do you need?

Placer Mining is mining for gold deposits which requires certain approvals through DIAND's *Mining Lands (ML) Division*. Approvals are needed to obtain placer claims and leases to prospect. Additional approvals are required for exploration, mining plans or water licences.

What key legislation is involved?

- *Yukon Placer Mining Act (YPMA)*
- *Yukon Placer Mining Land Use Regulations (YPMLUR)*
- *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA)*

Why are legislation and regulation important?

Legislation and regulations ensure the development and viability of a sustainable, competitive and healthy mining industry which operates in a manner that upholds the socio-economic and environmental values of the Yukon.

How can you prepare?

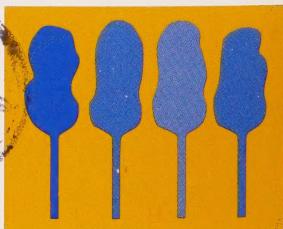
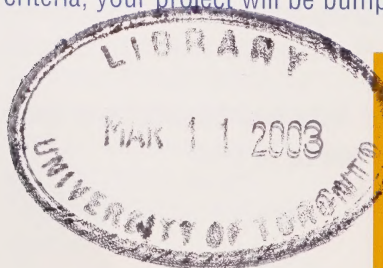
Before you stake a claim, access information and guidance at your district *Mining Recorder's Office*, *Exploration and Geological Services Division*, *Mining Inspection Division* and *Library*. A *Mining Land Use (MLU) package* is available from the *Mining Lands Division* and should be read through carefully. Contact information is available at the back of this guide.

Who's eligible?

Any person 18 years of age or older may locate, record and hold claims in the Yukon Territory.

How are claim activities classified?

There are four classes within YPMLUR, depending on the scale of your project. Each class has clearly defined criteria (*YPMLUR Schedule 1*) and if any one of your activities exceeds any of the particular class criteria, your project will be bumped to the next class.



When is approval not required?

Traditional prospecting with a gold pan on vacant ground that you have staked and claimed, is permissible. Any activity within the Class I thresholds (*YPMLUR Table*) is allowed on your claim without having to obtain approval, as long as you follow the Operating Conditions (*YPMLUR Schedule 1*).

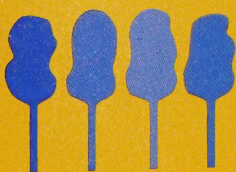
You would fall within Class I criteria, for example, if your camp has no more than five people on it, you use existing trails or roads and your trenching stays under 400 m³ on your claim with in a year of operation.

The Yukon Territory Water Board (YTWB) must be notified, in writing, ten days prior to any water use of less than 300m³ per day with no discharge. Otherwise, you will need to apply for a water licence by going to the YTWB.

Placer mining claims can be renewed upon satisfactory work performance to the value of \$200.

If Placer gold is exported from the Yukon, the *Mining Recorder's Office* collects a royalty.

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Placer Classes and Fees

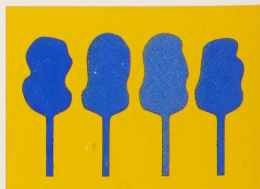
Class	Type of Approval	Fees + (<i>YPMLUR Schedule 2</i>)	Approval Time**	Approval Expiry
I	follow <i>Operating Conditions</i>	no fee required	-	one year
II	<i>Notification*</i> and <i>Mining Land Use Approval</i>	\$100	25 days	one year
III	<i>Operating Plan and Mining Land Use Approval</i>	under five years \$250 over five years \$500	25 days	up to ten years
IV	<i>Operating Plan</i> <i>Type B Water Licence ~</i>	under five years \$250 over five years \$500	up to and exceeding ten months	up to ten years

+ An amendment to an operating plan is \$150 and an application for assignment of an operating plan is \$50.

* Information provided through class II notification will be kept confidential for the length of the operation.

** Approval time is calculated after the application is complete and may be extended.

~ To do this, visit the Yukon Territorial Water Board (YTWB) to proceed with your approval process.



1 Go to the *Mining Recorder's Office (MRO)* in

Whitehorse, Watson Lake, Dawson City or Mayo to find out if the area is available for staking and how to stake a claim.

To obtain geographical information for researching your project, go to *Exploration and Geological Services*. For a review of compliance guidelines visit *Mining Inspection*.

2 Stake your claim.

3 Fill in and submit your application with the appropriate fees to your district MRO.

4 If your claim application is approved, define your operating class as a I, II, III or IV and follow appropriate steps for each.

5 If your project does not exceed the Class I criteria, simply follow the operating conditions. You do not need to obtain approval.

6 For class II a notification application must be completed and submitted to *Mining Lands*. The notification is reviewed by the *Chief of Mining Land Use* and you will be contacted if any further information is needed.

7 Submit the appropriate operating plan to the *Chief of Mining Land Use*.

Class III requires you to apply for Mining Land Use approval at your district MRO. A separate application is needed for class IV. An environmental assessment is done under the CEEA before your Class III or IV project can be approved.

8 Apply for any other approvals you may need to operate your claim, remembering that if you have a class IV operation, you must apply for a *Type B Water Licence* through the *Yukon Territory Water Board*.

IT IS UP TO YOU TO OBTAIN ALL THE PROPER APPROVALS FOR YOUR PROJECT.

9 Once you receive all the necessary approvals, you can begin your operation.

10 Inspection of your site will occur approximately three times a year by *Mining Inspection*, which will ensure compliance with the operating conditions, approved operating plan and water licence (if issued). Refer to the *Inspection* section of this guide for a detailed overview of inspection procedures.

11 Although reclamation efforts should be ongoing, once your project is completed a final inspection will be carried out by *Mining Inspection*.

12 At the end of your project (upon request and if all conditions of the Licence and MLU approval are met) a *Certificate of Completion* is issued on class III and IV approvals by the *Chief of Mining Land Use*.



Quartz Overview

What approvals do you need?

Quartz Mining is the extraction of “hard rock” or “lode”.

A quartz exploration/production licence requires an approval which is issued through DIAND's *Mining Lands (ML) Division*.

What key legislation is involved?

- *Yukon Quartz Mining Act (YQMA)*
- *Yukon Quartz Mining Land Use Regulations (YQMLUR)*
- *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA)*

Why is legislation and regulation important?

The legislation and regulations ensure the development and viability of a sustainable, competitive and healthy mining industry which operates in a manner that upholds the socioeconomic and environmental values of the Yukon.

How can you prepare?

Before you stake a claim, access information and guidance at your district *Mining Recorder's Office*, *Exploration and Geological Services Division*, *Mining Inspection Division* and *Library*.

A *Mining Land Use (MLU) package* is available and should be read through carefully. Contact information is available at the back this guide.

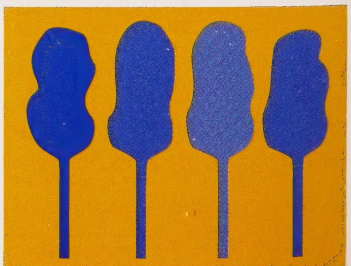
Who's eligible?

Any person 18 years of age or older may locate, record and hold claims in the Yukon Territory.

How are claim activities classified?

There are four classes within the YQMLUR: Class I, II, III and IV. Each represents exploration activities with increasing potential to cause adverse environmental impacts.

The classes have clearly defined criteria (*YQMLUR Schedule 1*) and if any one of your activities exceeds any of the particular class criteria, you will be bumped to the next class.



When is approval not required?

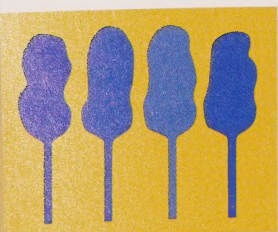
Any activity within the class I thresholds (*YQMLUR Table*) on claims is allowed without having to obtain approval, as long as you follow the operating conditions (*YQMLUR Schedule 1*).

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You'd fall within class I criteria, for example, if your camp has no more than five people on it, you use existing trails or roads and your trenching stays under 400 m³ on your claim within a year of operation.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the notification or operating plan is complete, contains all of the required technical information and is submitted within the correct class of program.

The Yukon Territory Water Board (YTWB) must be notified, in writing, ten days prior to any water use of less than 300m³ per day with no discharge. Otherwise, you will need to apply for a water licence by going to the YTWB.



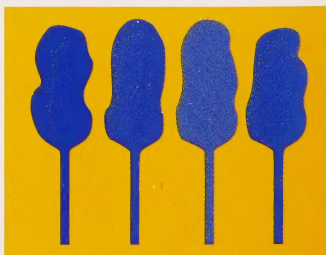
Quartz Classes and Fees

Class	Type of Approval	Fees + (YPMLUR Schedule 2)	Approval Time**	Expiry
I	follow <i>Operating Conditions</i>	no fee required	-	one year
II	<i>Notification*</i> and <i>Mining Land Use Approval</i>	\$100	25 days	one year
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* Information provided through the class II notification process will be kept confidential for the length of the operation.

**Approval time is calculated after the application is complete and may be extended.





Forestry Overview

What approvals do you need?

You must obtain a Timber Permit to cut and remove trees on federal Crown land within the Yukon.

There are several types of permits, depending on your project size and the intent of use, so it is essential that you have a clear idea of what you want to harvest and produce before you start the permitting process.

What key legislation is involved?

- *Yukon Timber Regulations (YTR)*
- *Territorial Lands Act (TLA)*
- *Territorial Land Use Regulations (TLUR)*
- *Umbrella Final Agreement (UFA)* and/or
- *Final Land Claim Agreements*
- *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA)*

Why are legislation and regulation important?

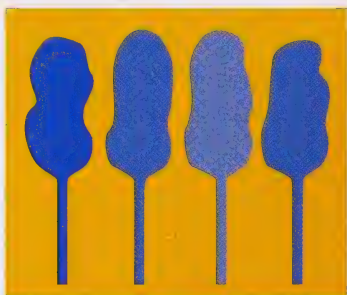
The legislation and regulations provide the tools for managing this renewable resource based on the principles of long-term sustainability and conservation for future generations.

How can you prepare?

You need to identify what kind of product you want and the amount of timber you need. You also need to familiarize yourself with the Yukon Timber Regulations.

If you are not sure which type of permit you need to apply for, visit your local DIAND *Field District Office* where District staff will assist you.

The District staff will tell you which areas are available for timber harvesting and will help you complete the correct application.



Who's eligible?

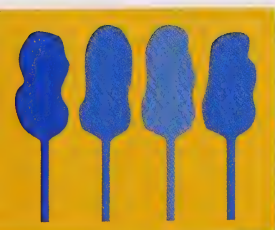
Anyone can apply for a timber permit in the Yukon Territory, but depending on the size of your project, you may be required to meet specific eligibility criteria (YTR Section 3.3). See eligibility criteria at the bottom of page 15.

How are Permits classified?

There are two general types of permits in the Yukon: personal use and commercial.

Personal use permits are available for anyone who wants small amounts of firewood, poles, Christmas trees, house building logs or a small volume of round wood (sawlogs) for non-commercial use (*YTR Sections 4, 7 and 8*). There are also special conditions for traditional use of forest products by First Nations people and subsistence users such as trappers and prospectors.

The second type, commercial permits, are available to users who need a supply of timber for their business or to sell, e.g. firewood sales, saw-milling, house building or other ventures (*YTR Section 4*). Large commercial permits (for volumes over 1000 m³) require a significant amount of pre-planning and consultation, which is currently undertaken by the *Forest Resources Division* of DIAND. Applications for commercial green wood timber permits over 1000m³ are only accepted in areas that have been planned, consulted and advertised.



Timber Permits and Fees

Class	Permit Type and Volume (YTR Section 4)	Volume (m ³)	Fee (YTR Sched. 1)	Permit Time and Issuer
A	Round Wood Not to exceed 20,000m ³	Under 100 100-1000 Over 1000	\$10 \$50 \$100	1-30 days 1-30 days District Off. 2-6 mnths Forest Resources
B	2-year Round Wood up to 40,000m ³ not to exceed 25,000m ³ in one year	Under 100 100-1000 Over 1000	\$10 \$50 \$100	1-30 days 1-30 days 2-6 mnths Forest Resources
C	3-year Round Wood up to 60,000m ³ not to exceed 25,000m ³ in one year	Under 100 100-1000 Over 1000	\$10 \$50 \$100	1-30 days 1-30 days 2-6 mnths Forest Resources
D	Fuel Wood less than 2.5m in length not to exceed 1000m ³	All	\$10	1-30 days District Office
E	Round Wood by Public Tenure in a priority harvest area not to exceed 40,000m ³	All	\$100	2-6 mnths Forest Resources
F	Round Wood by Public Tenure not to exceed 20,000m ³	All	\$100	1-2 mnths Forest Resources
G	Round Wood not to exceed 1000m ³ Christmas Trees and Transplants (first 2 are free) Deciduous	Under 100 100-1000 Under 100 100-1000 Under 100 100-1000	\$10 \$50 \$10 \$50 \$10 \$50	1-30 days District Off. 1-30 days District Off. 1-30 days District Off.
H	Round Wood for personal, non commercial use not to exceed 80 trees	All	\$10	1-30 days District Office

1 Visit your local *Field Operation's District Office* to discuss the available timber harvesting locations.

2 Complete the *Timber Application Form* and submit along with the fees to your local *Field Operation's District Office*. Make sure your application is accurate and includes your preferred available harvest location. Applications are allocated depending on wood availability. All applicants must be in good standing and have no dues or fees owing to the Crown.

There are two categories of project descriptions: projects that involve permitting for volumes of wood less than or equal to 1000m³; and projects that involve permitting for volumes of wood exceeding 1000m³.

3 Section 4 timber permits under 1000m³ are issued by the local *Field Operations District Offices*. You will need to complete a project description. The District staff will tell you if they are required to conduct additional First Nation consultation and if a CEAA screening is required. After the District Officer has completed his review of your project description, the timber permit is issued with terms and conditions for harvesting and subject to all other authorities.

4 Section 4 timber permits over 1000m³ are issued by the *Forest Resources Division of DIAND*. Forest Resources will notify you if you are eligible for a permit and send you information about your harvest location. See *eligibility criteria* below. You will need to fill out a detailed project description. Your project description will be screened through CEAA and, consistent with the local First Nation, where the review of your project description is complete, the timber permit is issued with terms and conditions for harvesting and subject to all other authorities.

5 You must ensure that the final field layout meets the mitigation and terms and conditions of the permit before the District Officer approves harvesting.

6 Once you have received your permit, you must ensure that you have all the necessary permits and approvals in place before harvesting.

7 Your project is considered closed when all permits and approvals are in place and all dues are paid.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR A SECTION 4 PERMIT (YTR SECTION 3.3):

2 Describe your experience in the forestry industry

3 Provide a detailed project description

4 Supply a list of any previous permits

* If you have not previously been issued a timber permit, you may be required to pay a security deposit (YTR Section 22)

Lands Disposition Overview

What approvals do you need?

You will need DIAND *Land Dispositions* approval for all projects in the Yukon if your project requires the long-term use of Crown land. Land Dispositions Section must be

notified if you are permanently affixing anything to the land or need use of the land beyond your permit time. If you want to construct a residence, water pump house, a dock affixed to the bed of a lake, or a powerline, you have to obtain a licence, lease or reservation through *Land Dispositions*.

What key legislation is involved?

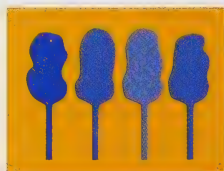
- *Territorial Lands Act* (TLA)
- *Territorial Land Regulations* (TLR)
- *Federal Real Property Act* (FRPA)
- *Federal Real Property Regulations* (FRPR)
- *Cabinet Directive Circular No. 27* (May 4, 1955)
- *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA)

Why are legislation and regulation important?

The *TLA* provides for the disposition, use and protection of federal Crown land under the administration of the Minister. The *TLR* provides for the disposition of long-term uses of lands and establishes the basic levels of activity allowed in order to minimize surface disturbance to these lands.

The *FRPA* provides for the disposition, use and protection of federal Crown lands and the transferring of administration and control between Ministers. The *FRPR* in the Yukon applies to the granting of licences and easement over federal Crown lands.

The Circular #27 sets out the procedure for Her Majesty to grant any department or agency of the government occupation of lands within the Territory. The occupation is recorded as a reservation or notation in the Yukon Land Registry.



How can you prepare?

Visit the *Land Dispositions* Section or your local *District Office*, to learn about what is needed to begin the application process and what the application procedures are for your project.

Who's eligible?

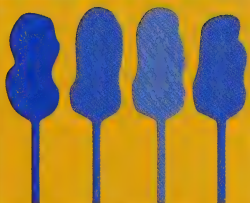
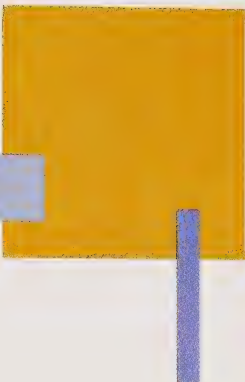
Anyone is eligible to apply for a licence, lasement, lease or agreement of sale for federal Crown land in the Yukon Territory. Federal and Territorial departments or agencies may apply for reservations and notations.

When is approval not required?

The appropriate tenure is always required prior to using, occupying and constructing permanent structures on federal Crown land within the Yukon.

How are leases classified?

Within *Land Dispositions*, you can apply for tenure depending on the usage. The *Land Dispositions* Section can assist you with any needed information and application procedures you may require.



Lands Disposition Fees

Tenure Document Types	Application Fees	Application Review Time*	Tenure Term
Lease or Sale Agreement	\$150 + GST	usually 12 to 18 months	Leases for renewable terms up to 60 years with no one lease longer than a 30 year term. Sale agreements are for a 5 year term.
Licence or Easement	\$150 + GST	usually 12 to 18 months**	Licences are for a term up to 30 years. Easements are for an undefined term.
Transfer of Administration and Control (TAC)	No fee if lands under a previous reservation for that department or agency	usually 2 to 4 months	n/a
Reservation or Notification	no application fee	usually 12 to 18 months	As long as required — or as stated in authorizing document.
Order in Council	\$50 + GST except for transfer to Commissioner	usually 6- 8 months after the request is received at DIAND HQ	n/a — or as stated in the Order

* The application review time estimate varies greatly depending on the time of year the application is submitted, the scope of the project, and the potential environmental and regulatory implication. The application to disposition (lease, sale agreement, licence, or easement) process can be accomplished in a minimum of 8 months under ideal circumstances.

** Utility licences and easements for facilities constructed under a Land Use Permit are usually processed in 1 to 2 months upon receipt of the “as built” drawing.

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Submit your completed application and supporting documentation to *Land Dispositions* or *District Office* with the appropriate application fee. Ensure the parcel of land applied for is clearly flagged on the ground.

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Your application is reviewed for compliance with legislation, policies and directives, and, to ensure the land is available for the intended purpose. Most applications are referred to the *Federal Terrestrial Lands Advisory Committee (FTLAC)*, other appropriate regulatory authorities and to adjacent land owners to address potential concerns and ensure that adverse environmental effects are taken into consideration. The FTLAC may defer its recommendation if further information is needed from you or other appropriate source(s).

YOU CANNOT USE OR OCCUPY FEDERAL CROWN LANDS WITHOUT A VALID TENURE IN PLACE.

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If your application is approved, a sketch of the lands is prepared and a value is determined. A letter of offer will be sent to you and you will need to respond in writing to advise *Land Dispositions* if you accept or reject the offer.

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If you accept the offer, the tenure document is prepared and forwarded to you to sign and return with the appropriate fees to *Land Dispositions*.

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For the sale of land, you need to have the land surveyed at your expense before the title is raised. You can survey anytime after the sale agreement is in place.

Land Use and Quarry Overview

What approvals do you need?

You will need DIAND *Land Resources* approval for all projects in the Yukon if your project falls within the prohibitions of *Section 8 and 9* of the *Territorial Land Use Regulations* for short term use

of Crown land (not including activities related to mineral claims or timber dispositions). This would include projects such as access road construction and removal of quarry materials.

What key legislation is involved?

- *Territorial Lands Act* (TLA)
- *Territorial Land Use Regulations* (TLUR)
- *Territorial Quarry Regulations* (TQR)
- *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA)

Why are legislation and regulation important?

The *Act* provides for the disposition, use and protection of Crown land under the administration of the Minister. The *Land Use Regulations* provide for the permitting of short-term uses of lands and establishes the basic levels of activity allowed, this is to minimize the surface disturbance to these lands. The *Quarry Regulations* provide for the permitting to remove sand, gravel, stone and other materials.

How can you prepare?

Visit the *Land Resources* Section to assist you with any needed information and application procedures you may require on your project.


Who's eligible?

Anyone who requires a permit (*TLUR Sections 8 & 9*).

How are permits classified?

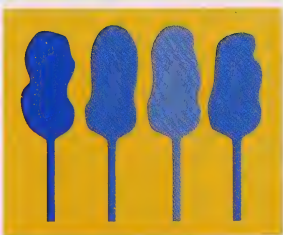
There are two types of permits available through *Land Resources*: Class A and Class B. The Class designation depends on the scale of your project (*TLUR Sections 8 and 9*). *Land Resources* Section can assist you with any needed information and application procedures you may require.





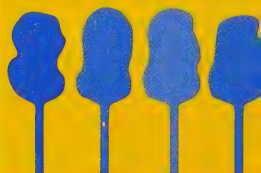
You will not need a permit if you are a resident of the Yukon that wants to use lands (where surface rights that have not already been disposed) in the normal course of hunting, fishing, trapping or if you are locating a mineral claim that does not require equipment or materials that normally requires a permit.

Please refer to the *TLUR (Section 6)* for all of the exemptions.



Land Use and Quarry Application Fees

Permit Class	Application Fees	Permitting Time	Permit Expiry
A	\$200 (includes cost of \$50 for first 2 hectares (ha) and an application processing fee of \$150) + \$50 for every ha or portion thereof after (<i>TLUR Schedule I + II</i>)	42 days to one year	two years with possible one year extension
B	\$200 (includes cost of \$50 for first 2 hectares (ha) and an application processing fee of \$150) + \$50 for every ha or portion thereof after (<i>TLUR Schedule I + II</i>)	42 days to one year	two years with possible one year extension
QUARRY	\$150 + Royalties for material (<i>TQR Schedule I and II</i>)	depends on approval	one year or quantity is used, which ever is shorter



Land Use and Quarry Steps

1. Submit your application to the District Office with the appropriate fees and maps (if required).

2. Submit your completed application to Land Resources or District Office with the appropriate fees and maps (if required).

4. If accepted, your application will be signed by the Engineer and distributed to the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) members, for review and comment.

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5. LUAC IS A TECHNICAL AND INTEREST-BASED ADVISORY BODY FORMED TO FACILITATE THE ISSUANCE OF LAND USE PERMITS AND TO ENSURE THAT THE ENVIRONMENT IS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. LUAC ACHIEVES THIS BY CONSULTATIVE PROCESS, AS REQUIRED BY THE CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT (CEAA) AND BY YUKON FIRST NATION LAND CLAIM AGREEMENTS.

6. When your project is completed, a Letter of Clearance (TLUR Section 37) is issued by the Engineer when all considerations are met.

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Inspection Overview

What is the purpose of inspection?

After approvals for your project have been given, there will be inspections done at your site to ensure that your project is compliant with all the terms and conditions of your approvals.

DIAND Inspectors monitor and enforce compliance through education, encouragement and enforcement. Proactive visits along with inspectors' suggestions, can help keep you on the right track.

DIAND Inspectors should be a source of information early on and during your approval process. They will brief you on the approval guidelines of your project so you will know what you'll have to do to stay compliant.

When will an Inspector visit?

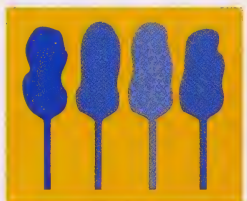
Each Inspection Officer has criteria they must follow and, in some cases, strict time lines. For example, *Mining Inspection* checks for compliance two weeks prior to work starting, at least twice a year during the operation and two weeks after work is completed on an operation. For other projects, an Inspector will visit your site randomly.

What happens when noncompliance occurs?

When there is noncompliance, an *Inspector* may give verbal or written warnings, Inspector's Directions, cancellations, suspensions and in the worst case, issue a Stop Work Order or recommend the laying of charges. To avoid noncompliance, make sure you understand and adhere to the conditions of your approvals.

What happens at the end of my project?

DIAND Inspectors, upon request or when required, complete the final inspection of a site and recommend issuance of either a Certificate of Completion, Clearance Certificate or a Letter of Clearance when all the conditions are met. The steps needed to close your project site are included in the terms and conditions of your approvals and should be understood before you begin your project.



Environmental Assessment Overview

What is environmental assessment?

Environmental assessment is a systematic way to identify the potential adverse environmental effects of a proposed project and the related impact on people, their health, livelihood and way of life.

How is it involved with getting an approval?

Environmental assessment is used by DIAND as a planning tool to make resource management decisions to ensure that environmental effects are considered prior to approvals being given.

What key legislation is involved?

- *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA)*

Why is this legislation important?

The CEAA is a federal law that requires the Government of Canada to conduct environmental assessment on specified projects on Crown land. The CEAA promotes sustainable development by encouraging the integration of environmental factors into project planning and decision-making.

DIAND as a Responsible Authority (RA) under CEAA, is required to assess projects for the likelihood of adverse significant environmental effects after all reasonable mitigation and follow up measures have been incorporated. DIAND is responsible to ensure that all the mitigation and follow up occurs for projects which DIAND approves.



ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT continued

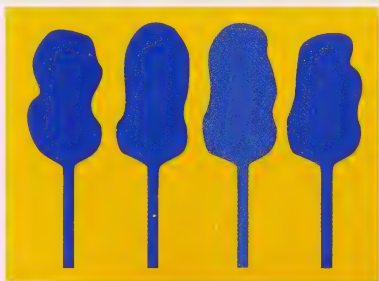
What are the different types of assessment?

Under CEAA there are several different types of assessment including screenings, class screenings, comprehensive studies, mediation and panel reviews. For almost all small projects, assessment is done as a Level I screening, the simplest form of assessment.

Generally, environmental assessment is part of the regulatory approval process; when you apply, DIAND will gather the information needed for both the environmental assessment and your approval. A Level I assessment would be completed for most Land Use Permits, Leases, Reservations, Mining Land Use Authorizations, Timber Permits, or Type B Water Licences. The Resource manager will look for ways to eliminate or reduce any potential adverse environmental effects for your project.

The DIAND Environment Directorate facilitates the Level II assessments of more complex projects. Usually, these projects require multiple approvals from several different parts of DIAND and have the potential for greater environmental effects and/or public concern. Hard rock mines, coal mines, major hydro-electric projects, transmission lines and highways are examples of projects that may require more extensive assessment. Level II assessments may be either a screening or a comprehensive study.

More information about DIAND's environmental assessment process can be found in the brochure: The Northern Affairs Program, DIAND, Yukon Region and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (ISBN 0-662-28675-8).



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Web Sites

Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency	www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca
City of Whitehorse	www.city.whitehorse.yk.ca
Council of Yukon First Nations	www.cyfn.ca
Department of Fisheries and Oceans	www.ncr.dfo.ca
DIAND Mineral Resources	www.ainc.gc.ca/tt/mindir_e.html
Environment Canada	www.ec.gc.ca
Government of Yukon	www.gov.yk.ca
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	www.inac.gc.ca
Klondike Placer Miners' Association	www.kpma.ca
Natural Resources Canada	www.NRCan.gc.ca
Renewable Resources Canada	www.renres.gov.yk.ca
Yukon Chamber of Mines	www.ycmine.ca
Department of Energy, Mines and Resources	www.emr.gov.yk.ca
Yukon Geology Program	www.geology.gov.yk.ca
Yukon Mining Recorders	www.yukonminingrecorder.ca
Yukon Prospector's Association	www.north-land.com/ypa
Yukon Territory Water Board (search information)	infosource.gc.ca/index-e.html
Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board	www.wcb.yk.ca

Other Publications

Permit Guide - For projects in the Yukon

Environmental Assessment Guidelines for Major Mining Projects

Northern Land Use Guidelines - Series

Jurisdictional Responsibilities for Land Resources, Land Use and Development in the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territory

Staking Guide - Yukon Quartz Mining Act

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Information Sheet - Mineral Rights Division

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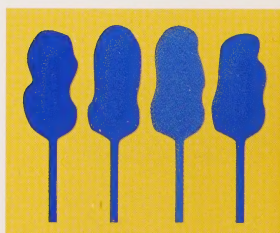
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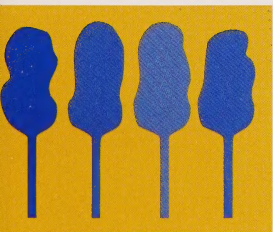
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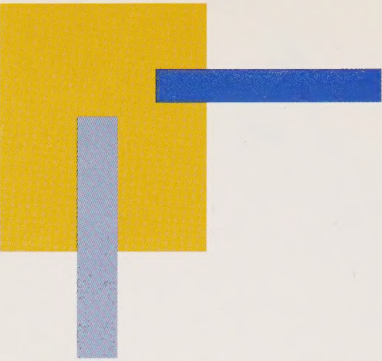


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Yukon Timber Regulations
Territorial Quarrying Regulations
Yukon Placer Mining Act
Yukon Placer Mining Land Use Regulations
Yukon Quartz Mining Act
Yukon Quartz Mining Land Use Regulations
Canadian Environmental Assessment Act
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Umbrella Final Agreement
Final Land Claim Agreements
Federal Real Property Act
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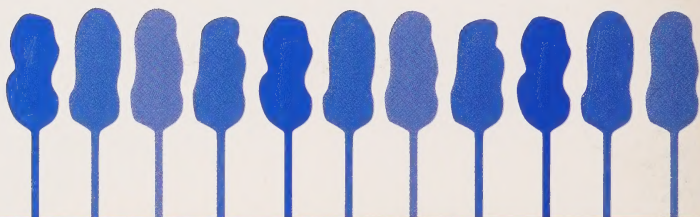


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